

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please rewrite the paragraph on page 1, lines 11-22, as follows:

Conventionally, there ~~has~~ have been known a multiplexing device for accommodating an N.A. asynchronous communications network signal in an N.A. new synchronous network (SONET: synchronous optical network, refer to ANSI TI-105) and a new synchronous communications network according to the standards of the TTC (Telecommunication Technology Committee)(refer to JT-G707, JT-807, and JT-709), or a multiplexing device for accommodating an ATM (asynchronous transfer mode) cell in the N.A. asynchronous communications network (PDH: plesiochronous digital hierarchy network).

MLB 10/18/06 Please rewrite the paragraph on page 3, lines ~~12-13~~⁷, as follows:

Below is a table explaining abbreviations used throughout the application.

ALS	Alarm Indication Signal	SONET specification term	
VCXO	Voltage Controlled Xtal Oscillator	General term for a parts	Quartz oscillator of which the frequency is variable by changing applied voltage.
DTPin	input positive data	Abbreviation employed in present patent application.	
DTNin	input negative data	Abbreviation employed in present patent application.	
BIT LEAK	= memory	General term for a function	Bit by bit readjustment of fluctuation in after-destaff data timing. Called a re-timing circuit
PLCP	Physical Layer Convergence Procedure	SONET specification term	
RDIL	Line Remote Defect Indication	SONET specification term	
ISID	IDLE signal indication	SONET specification term	Name of a signal in LAPD data-link using bits of DS3 Cbit frame
FEAC	Far End Alarm and Control	SONET specification term	